

Project requests from Rep. Wilson:

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Appalachian Mentoring Project

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Athens, Inc.

10522 State Route 682

The Plains, OH 45780

\$50,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because mentoring is a powerful tool to help guide at-risk youth; this benefits the entire community. The project will address the problems of poor academic performance and juvenile delinquency in Appalachia through the creation and maintenance of 250 professionally supported one-to-one mentoring relationships between underserved, high-risk rural Appalachian youth aged 6 to 16 and trained adult mentors. The mentor-mentee pairs will meet weekly for at least one hour. In addition, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Athens will provide free monthly activities for the pairs. The program will reduce negative behaviors and juvenile delinquency, and improve school performance and developmental assets for enrolled youth.

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Belvedere Subdivision Repaving Project

Wayne Township

11991 County Road 26

Bloomington, Ohio 43910

\$230,439

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it would provide needed improvements to over 700 residents. The roads are in extremely poor condition, which is compromising the safety of local citizens. The repairs would enhance the area by providing safer traveling conditions and creating easier access to local businesses.

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City Services Replacement Garage

City of East Liverpool

126 W. Sixth Street

East Liverpool, Ohio 43920

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because the current facility shared by the Street Department and the Refuse and Recycling Department needs to be demolished due to the health and safety risks it poses to the workers and area residents. The project would build a new facility for these two departments to house all the vehicles and work materials in a safe and environmentally friendly manner.

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City of East Liverpool Road Improvements

City of East Liverpool

126 W. Sixth Street

East Liverpool, Ohio 43920

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it would improve current road conditions. This project would include constructing new drainage facilities, replacing sidewalks and curbs, and constructing new curb ramps. These improvements will provide needed accessibility to local businesses and create local construction jobs.

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Columbia Drive Upgrade

St. Clair Township

15442 Pugh Road

Calcutta, Ohio 43920

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it would construct 2,100 feet of roadway with water and sewer utilities. This roadway would open up access to 100 plus acres for economic development and create jobs.

Columbiana County Government Service Building

Columbiana County Commissioners

105 South Market Street

Lisbon, Ohio 44432

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because the current crumbling and mold infested facility creates an unsafe work environment with poor ventilation. The new facility will house the Department of Jobs and Family Services, Board of Elections, Veteran Services, MCTA and One Stop. This project will create 26 construction jobs and help provide a safe and secure facility for 212 workers.

Decatur Township Road Improvements

Decatur Township Board of Trustees

1006 Boggy Hollow Road

Coolville, Ohio 45723

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it would improve conditions for one of the most traveled roads in the area. These improvements would provide safer traveling conditions and improve public safety. In addition, this project would provide access to new land for development.

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East Liverpool City Hall Replacement

City of East Liverpool

126 W. Sixth Street

East Liverpool, Ohio 43920

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it would provide the City of East Liverpool an updated City Hall. This facility would also include the municipal court and the police and fire departments. This new facility would be energy efficient and include modern security measures. The current building was constructed in 1934 and contains antiquated utilities. This project would allow the City of East Liverpool to operate more efficiently.

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Fearing Township Permanent Dust Control/Road Improvement

Fearing Township

55 Reeds Run Road

Whipple, Ohio 45788

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money, because it will provide permanent dust strips for all of Fearing Township. This will allow for the safe travel of citizens and also the dairy collection trucks that travel their roads several times a week. This will also make it easier for farm workers to get to and from work on a daily basis.

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Fuel Storage Area for CARTS

Community Action Agency of Columbiana County

7880 Lincloe Place

Lisbon, Ohio 44432

\$90,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it will provide a consistent and affordable source of fuel for CARTS vehicles. These vehicles provide transportation for low income, elderly and disabled county residents. The funding would help acquire the land and help construct the facility to provide the fuel storage area.

Gallipolis Farm Road Phase II

City of Gallipolis

518 Second Avenue

Gallipolis, Ohio 45631

\$750,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it will improve traffic flow and congestion in this heavily traveled area of the City. In addition, funding for this project will increase road safety and reduce accidents. Currently, State Route 7 travels through the City of Gallipolis on Second Avenue until Sycamore Street, where a driver must then negotiate a right-angle turn followed by another, as State Route 7 resumes on First Avenue. This route is often flooded by the Ohio River. The new Gallipolis Farm Road / State Route 7 will continue on Second Avenue through the Sycamore Street intersection to Mill Creek Road, and will then follow the road to an existing railroad bed. This project would create around 25-30 jobs.

Gallia –Lawrence State Route 850/State Route 7 Connector

Gallia County Commissioners

18 Locust Street

Gallipolis, Ohio 45631

\$400,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it will be used to develop a highway connector from SR 850 to SR 775 in Gallia County. In addition, it would upgrade SR 775 as a connector to SR 7 in Lawrence County. This project will enhance the economic development of Gallia and Lawrence County by improving road conditions and providing safe access to Appalachian Ohio.

Gallia-Meigs Regional Airport Fuel Farm Replacement Project

Gallia County Commissioners

18 Locust Street

Gallipolis, Ohio 45631

\$325,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because the project will provide for construction of a new fuel farm to replace a 25 year old facility that is in poor condition. The Gallia-Meigs Regional Airport provides service to residents and businesses of Gallia and Meigs counties.

Gallipolis Public Use Area

City of Gallipolis

518 Second Avenue

Gallipolis, Ohio 45631

\$700,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it would increase the public use of the riverbank. These new facilities would increase tourism and economic development in the downtown area. The project is expected to create 10-20 jobs during construction.

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Harmar Bridge Renovation/Restoration

City of Marietta

301 Putnam Street

Marietta, Ohio 45750

\$750,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it will provide a vital link for pedestrian and bicycle traffic between historic downtown Marietta and the historic Harmar neighborhoods. This direct link between the two business districts will act as a catalyst for economic development adding and preserving jobs in the downtown retail business sector. Construction is expected to employ approximately 73 workers.

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Ingenuity Center

Southeastern Ohio Port Authority

710 Colegate Drive

Marietta, Ohio 45750

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it will accelerate business growth in Washington County. This facility will provide high quality manufacturing space that can accommodate changing space needs of temperature-controlled cabinet companies and it will create a synergistic environment of similar companies where ideas, products, and services can work to the mutual benefits of the tenants. One year after completion 20 jobs are expected to be created, rising to 80 jobs after three years.

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JM Wellness Center

Jackson-Milton Local School District

13910 Mahoning Avenue

North Jackson, OH 44451

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it is a

community-wide initiative to increase wellness for the Jackson-Milton students, staff, and residents. This facility would help improve community health by providing a place to play sports, exercise, and attend community health events. Building a wellness center will also help promote growth in the area, as well as employee up to 40 people during the construction phase.

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Noble County Enterprise Building

Noble County CIC

44523 Marietta Road

Caldwell, Ohio 43724

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of the taxpayers' money because it will allow for the purchase of the Gary Davis building for the purpose of renovating the facility into a "smart" office facility. The building has the potential to house up to ten businesses, providing them with access to high speed internet and state of the art communications. This project will assist displaced workers from Noble County by helping them in the development of their own businesses. The construction of this project is expected to create five jobs within the first year with room for future expansion.

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Noble County CIC Industrial Park Feasibility Study

Noble County CIC

44523 Marietta Road

Caldwell, Ohio 43724

\$48,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of the taxpayers' money because it will analyze three potential sites to determine which site is best for development of an industrial park. Information collected through this study will allow the Noble County CIC to make an educated decision regarding the placement of the proposed park. With Noble County experiencing over 16.4 % unemployment, new businesses opportunities are rare and this industrial park will help create new economic developments.

Ohio University National Asphalt Laboratory (OUNAL)

Ohio University

Cutler Hall

Athens, Ohio 45701

\$750,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because the Ohio University National Asphalt Laboratory (OUNAL) will test and conduct research on new asphalt technologies, which will increase the durability and safety of our nation's roadways. This research will also increase energy conservation and efficiency. OUNAL is part of the Ohio Research Institute for Transportation and the Environment (ORITE), and will be integrated with the Accelerated Pavement Load Facility at Ohio University's Lancaster branch campus.

Point Industrial Park Rail Development

Lawrence Economic Development Corporation

216 Collins Avenue

South Point, Ohio 45680

\$700,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it will rehabilitate portions of the eight mile rail loop that runs within the 504 acre Point Industrial Park. Currently, the industrial park contains five businesses and has created over 300 jobs for the Southern Ohio region. However, there is a need to improve and update the rail system that exists in the site. It is estimated this project has the potential of creating up to 30 part time construction jobs and 40 full time jobs.

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Quaker City Industrial Park

City of Salem

231 South Broadway Avenue

Salem, Ohio 44460

\$700,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it will construct a new industrial park near the City of Salem. The project would have convenient access to State Route 45 and U.S. Route 62. The project would provide over 275 jobs to an economically depressed area that has lost over 800 industrial jobs in the past four years.

Salt Storage Building

Knox Township

2895 Knox School Road

Alliance, Ohio 44601

\$125,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it would provide a facility to store salt and other winter maintenance equipment. With the rising costs of equipment and salt, the need to protect these resources increases. It is estimated that the building of this storage facility would create 25 jobs.

Seven Creeks Bridge Safety

Island Creek Township

416 Township Road

Richmond, Ohio 43944

\$55,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it would replace the case on the Seven Creeks Bridge. This would help prevent flooding and improve residents' safety.

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Steubenville Traffic Corridor Safety Improvements

City of Steubenville

302 Market Street

Steubenville, Ohio 43952

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it includes upgrades to Lovers Lane and Fort Steuben Drive. These two roadways are considered a major corridor in the City of Steubenville and transport approximately 17,000 vehicles a day. The improvements to these roadways would reduce accidents, relieve traffic congestion, improve access to existing facilities and promote future development. This construction project would create 20-30 jobs.

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Township Road 17/Tick Ridge Road

Fairfield Township Board of Trustees

334 Union Cemetery Road

Cutler, Ohio 45724

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it would improve Township Road 17, a main traffic corridor. This area has the highest traffic count for all of Fairfield Township. These road improvements will help secure businesses that are already established in this area and would encourage new commerce.

Tri-State Outerbelt (State Route 7/ Chesapeake By-Pass)

Lawrence County Commissioners

1 Veterans Square

Ironton, Ohio 45638

\$1,000,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it will create economic development in the region and increase road safety for school buses, commercial trucks, and local residents. In addition, completion of the Outerbelt will alleviate local traffic congestion and provide an alternative route during the frequent closure of Interstate 64. Funding for this project would be used for the property acquisition costs associated with Phase 2 of the State Route 7, Chesapeake By-Pass project. Once completed, this segment of highway will form the Northern Outerbelt around the Tri-State Metropolitan Area of Ohio, West Virginia, and

Kentucky.

US Route 30 Four Lane Highway from SR 9 to SR 45

Columbiana County Engineer

235 South Market Street

Lisbon, Ohio 44432

\$750,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it will eliminate the worst section of US route 30. By improving this route the project will reduce crashes, reduce carbon production, and reduce fuel consumption. The completion of this project will also reduce the number of two lane highways in Ohio to 24 miles. The project will require approximately 20 employees to complete the surveying and engineering design, and expand to 100 workers during the construction phase.

Village of Wintersville Road Improvements

Village of Wintersville

200 Grove Street

Wintersville, Ohio 43953

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because both Fernwood Road and Luray Road are in need of an upgrade due to heavy traffic. These improvements would increase safety for passengers and reduce traffic congestion. The construction of this project would retain over 250 jobs.

Village of Shadyside Roof Replacements

Village of Shadyside

50 East 39th Street

Shadyside, Ohio 43947

\$38,700

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because a new roof is needed

on the Municipal Building to continue Village Operations. The building is also used by Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and multiple school organizations.

Western Reserve Road Widening Phase One

Mahoning County Engineer

940 Bears Den Road

Youngstown, Ohio 44511

\$750,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because this project would widen the section between SR 7 and Hitchcock Road. Western Reserve Road is one of only a few roads that cross the entire width of Mahoning County. This road is used by commuters as an alternate route for US 224 and is also becoming an important commercial development corridor in the area. This project would create approximately 50 jobs during the construction phase.

Wheelersburg State Route 522 Industrial Park

Southern Ohio Port Authority

433 Third Street

Portsmouth, Ohio 45662

\$700,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it will develop approximately 160 acres with existing transportation capabilities to become a successful industrial park. Currently, there is an absence of job ready industrial parks on the Ohio River being served with rail. This project would include future road and rail spur development, which is necessary for medium to large scale permanent manufacturing businesses. Overall, the construction and long term economic development could create 50 jobs.

WEC LEED Certification Project

Washington Electric Cooperative

406 Colegate Drive

Marietta, Ohio 45750

\$323,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it will construct a new facility for the Washington Electric Cooperative, which provides electric power to rural Ohio through the Rural Electrification Administration. In addition, a new facility would enable WEC to increase its energy efficiency. The construction of the new facility will be according to the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification criteria. This will strengthen the Appalachian Ohio region's energy security, environmental quality, and economic vitality by providing a benchmark of efficiency for other organizations.

Washington State Community College (WSCC) Road Improvements

Washington State Community College

710 Colegate Drive

Marietta, Ohio 45750

\$500,000

The applicant believes this is a valuable use of taxpayers' money because it will construct a new primary entrance to WSCC and complete other roadway enhancements within the campus. Currently, there is only one way to access and depart the campus, which could be hazardous in an emergency. This project will improve the safety of the students and staff of the WSCC by providing an alternate route.